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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of Sakae NAKASUJI, Tatsuhiko TSUMURA, and Motofumi  
KIKUCHI  
FLOOR MAT FOR AUTOMOBILE  
Assignee: **Japan Vilene Company, Ltd.**  
Our Ref: Q77449

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10/660692  
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation-In-Part Application of pending prior Application No. 10/152,796 (Confirmation No. 5961) filed May 23, 2002, entitled FLOOR MAT FOR AUTOMOBILE.

Attached hereto is the Continuation-in-Part Application comprising the specification, including the claims and abstract, 7 sheets of drawings, and an originally executed Declaration, as well as an Assignment and a certified copy of the second priority document, Japanese Patent Application No. JP-2002-268358, filed September 13, 2002.

The entire disclosure of the prior application, Application No. 10/152,796, filed May 23, 2002, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation-in-part application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	17	-	20	=	0	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$750.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<u>\$750.00</u>

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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-15625	May 24, 2001
Japan	2002-268358	September 13, 2002

A certified copy of the priority document Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-15625 filed May 24, 2001 was filed in parent Application No. 10/152,796 on May 23, 2002.

This application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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